



Japan

In 2014-15, 6,053 U.S. students studied abroad for academic credit in Japan.

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Education System Overview

Academic year: April - March

Major school holidays/break:

- Mid-July – mid/end of September
- Beginning of February – end of March
- Mid/end of December – beginning/mid January
- Golden week (usually late April/early May)

Entrance exam period: February

Major exam period:

- Mid/end of July, beginning/mid December
- January – beginning of February

Structure of the university system:

The language of instruction in universities: Japanese

Degrees offered: Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's, Doctorate, and professional degree

RESOURCES

“Study in Japan” by Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)

Website: <http://www.studyjapan.go.jp/en/index.html>

“Gateway to study in Japan” by Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)

Website: <http://www.g-studyinjapan.jasso.go.jp/en/>

“Study in Japan” by Fulbright

Website: <http://www.fulbright.jp/eng/study/directory/jplink.html>

Japan Network for International Education (JAFSA)

Website: <http://www.jafsa.org/en>

Japan Study Support (JPSS)

Website: <http://www.jpss.jp/en/scholarship/>



Know Before You Go

- [How to Apply for Your U.S. Passport](#)
- [Japan Travel Information](#)

U.S. Government-Sponsored Study and Exchange Programs

- [Fulbright-Hays Program](#)
- [American Council of Young Political Leaders \(ACYPL\)](#)
- [Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Program](#)
- [Fulbright U.S. Student Program](#)
- [Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program](#)
- [U.S.—Japan Tomodachi](#)
- [Team Up U.S.--Japan](#)
- [Gilman Scholarship Program](#)
- [Critical Language Scholarship Program](#)
- [Fulbright Japan](#)
- [Japan Student Services Organization \(JASSO\)](#)